Tumkur District. If the local bodies give their quota, why should not Government provide their own share of the cost in the very next budget ?

Mr. H. V. RAMASVAMI.—They are doing so as far as possible.

Heggere Tank Project in Kibbanahalli Hobli, Tiptur Taluk.

Q.—27. Mr. D. SIDDIAH GOWDA (Gubbi Taluk).—Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) how many years have elapsed since the Heggere tank in Kibbanahalli Hobli in Tiptur Taluk was breached ;

(*b*) have not the raiyats concerned applied to Government for repairs of the breached tank ever since it breached ;

(*c*) if the raiyats have applied for the same, why have not the Government taken up the repairs of the tank ;

(*d*) are there any *takrars* from the raiyats for the repairs of the tank ;

(*e*) if there are any *takrars*, are they from the raiyats of the neighbouring villages or from the raiyats who cultivate the bed of the tank ;

(*f*) have the raiyats in the neighbourhood of the tank been sending applications for the past seven or eight years to the Government authorities for the repairs of the tank ;

(*g*) did not the raiyats agree to pay the compensation at the time when their petitions were enquired into ;

(*h*) why were not the repairs taken up by the Government even though the raiyats agreed to pay the compensation ;

(*i*) if the *takrar* is from the raiyats who cultivate the bed of the tank, is it right to attach any value to the complaint of seven or eight raiyats of one village in preference to the inconvenience of hundreds of raiyats of 15 to 20 villages ?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Diwan Bahadur N. N. Ayyangar).—(*a*) About 100 years ago.

(*b*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*c*) The project is not a remunerative one.

(*d*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*e*) From both.

(*f*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*g*) The raiyats have agreed to pay an acreage contribution of Rs. 90.

(*h*) *Vide* answer to (*c*).

(*i*) The question does not arise in view of answer (*e*).

Mr. Mummadi H. C. VEERABHADRAPPA.—With reference to answer to (*b*), what is the action taken on the petition ?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—The estimated cost of the project comes to Rs. 54,000. The project will not be remunerative unless it yields a return of 4 per cent. The contribution of Rs. 90 promised by the raiyats works out at less than 2 per cent. This is not remunerative.

Mr. Mummadi H. C. VEERABHADRAPPA.—Will it be taken up if the raiyats agree to increase the contribution ?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—If they agree to increase the contribution to Rs. 150 or Rs. 200 per acre, the project can be taken up as an urgent work.

Mr. Mummadi H. C. VEERABHADRAPPA.—What will be the extent of the *atchkat* after its restoration ?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—About 200 acres.

Mr. D. SIDDE GOWDA.—With reference to answer to (*d*), is there still any *takrar* from the raiyats ?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—No, it is now withdrawn. The only difficulty is about contribution.

Promotions to Brahmin and Non-Brahmin Surveyors.

Q.—30. Mr. B. L. HUTCHAPPA (Channarayapatna Taluk).—Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) when was the scheme of Record of Rights introduced into the State ;

(*b*) how many surveyors have been recruited for the work ;

(*c*) (i) of these how many are graduates ; (ii) has any notice been published in the *Gazette* that Brahmin and non-Brahmin graduates will be given more pay than the other surveyors ;

(*d*) have the recruited graduate surveyors, who get more pay, been given more work and greater responsibility than other surveyors ;

(*e*) (i) what is the number of Brahmin and non-Brahmin surveyors who have put in more than five years of service ; (ii) how many of these have been given permanent or temporary promotions ?

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. K. V. Anantaraman).—(*a*) In 1926-27.

(*b*) 299.

(*c*) (i) 30.

(ii) No.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) (i) Brahmins ... 71.
Non-Brahmins ... 74.
(ii) Brahmins ... 43.
Non-Brahmins ... 5.

Mr. B. L. HUTCHAPPA.—Of the 299 surveyors, how many are Brahmins and how many non-Brahmins ?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—Notice.

Mr. B. L. HUTCHAPPA.—What is the reason for giving promotions to 43 Brahmins as against only 5 non-Brahmins ?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—Promotions were given according to seniority.

Mr. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.— Are all the 43 Brahmin officials permanent or temporary ?

The DIRECTOR of LAND RECORDS (Mr. G. B. Heblikar).—They are all temporary.

Mr. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—Do the recruitment rules apply to these appointments also ?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—Yes.

Mr. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—Then what about the percentages fixed in those rules ?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—These places were filled up 7 or 8 years ago. But even then, all of them were notified by, and the appointments made through, the Recruitment Board.

The FIRST MEMBER (Rajamantrapravina Diwan Bahadur K. Matthan).—No, that is not how it took place. We opened Surveyors' classes 3 or 4 times and advertised for candidates to join the classes. On the first occasion, almost all the candidates were Brahmins and they were selected and received training. For subsequent classes, three-fourths of the places were reserved for non-Brahmins. When the first batch, which consisted of only Brahmins, completed their training, they became fit for appointment and thus Brahmins were appointed to all the vacancies in the first instance.

Mr. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—But should you not have applied the C.R.B. rules while filling up the vacancies ?

Mr. K. MATTHAN.—True, but at that time, all the trained men happened to be Brahmins. That was why subsequently rules were issued that even for admission to the training class, the 75 per cent proportion should be kept up.

Mr. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—But the question is why only Brahmins were given the opportunity of training in the first instance.

Mr. K. MATTHAN.—That was done very long ago.

Mr. B. S. PUTTASWAMY.—Were the five non-Brahmins referred to in answer to (*e*) (ii) recommended by anybody ?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—No.

Mr. N. G. SANJIVIAH.—Are the Government aware that even for vacancies which should have gone to non-Brahmins already in the department, Brahmins from outside were appointed ?

Mr. K. MATTHAN.—No ; if any such cases are brought to notice, we shall make needful inquiries.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—In the 2nd and 3rd batches, were there any graduates ? If so, why were they not given a higher start ?

Mr. K. MATTHAN.—At first we had a rule that graduates might be started on a higher pay. Then the question was discussed in this Assembly and it was finally decided by Government that all new entrants should be given the same start.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Are Government aware that some graduates were given two promotions in the same year ?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—No.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Were these five the only non-Brahmins

who have been trained and have you given promotions to all of them?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—Yes.

Mr. H. K. MADIAH.—The rule is that men with training as well as seniority should be promoted. Are there not cases in which men with both these kinds of qualifications have not been promoted?

Mr. K. MATTHAN.—If there are cases like that, they may be brought to the notice of Government.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Is it true that some surveyors have been given two or three promotions in one and the same year?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—Some of them might have got promotions according to their seniority and according as vacancies arose.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Are they not all Brahmins who have received such promotions?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—No.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Please see the answer to Question 33. The present answer is contradictory to that.

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—The member may note that that question refers to Supervisors.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Were there no Supervisors among non-Brahmins? If so, why were they not promoted?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—There is only one and he has been given promotion from Rs. 67 to Rs. 77.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Why were two or three promotions given to certain Brahmins?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—Certain vacancies were caused by the death of seven Supervisors and seriatim promotions were given. In fact, several people got promotions in that connection.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Our information is that non-Brahmins have not received any promotion at all.

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—It would be wrong to say so. Can the member quote an instance of any deserving non-Brahmin having been superseded?

Mr. Tudki RAMANNA GOWDA.—With reference to answer to (*b*), are there any non-Mysoreans trained as surveyors so far?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—None, I think; but I cannot say that definitely without notice.

Mr. S. C. MALLIAH.—Why were not non-Brahmin surveyors promoted as Supervisors?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—They are all in the last grade, getting Rs. 25 or so; they cannot all on a sudden be promoted as Supervisors.

Mr. S. C. MALLIAH.—Can you not reduce the scale of pay of Supervisors and promote some of the non-Brahmins?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—To make a successful Supervisor, one must have acquired experience as Surveyor for 10 or 12 years at least.

Mr. S. C. MALLIAH.—Why is it that non-Brahmins who have worked as surveyors for more than 5 years are without promotion?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—Promotions are being given only according to seniority and all those entitled to them are getting them.

Mr. S. C. MALLIAH.—Should not some at least of the Supervisor's posts be reserved to non-Brahmins on the percentage basis?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—I cannot answer that question.

Deviation of Petrol Tax Revenue.

Q.—31. Mr. A. KENCHAPPA (Arsikere Taluk).—Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) is it true that the petrol tax received from the Government of India every year was distributed among the several provincial roads according to their needs;

(*b*) was not there a discussion in this Assembly some time back that some portion of this amount should be given to the district board roads also;

(*c*) did not the First Member then reply that this amount could not be spent on roads other than the provincial ones;

(*d*) will the Government be pleased to state how this amount of petrol tax was spent?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Diwan Bahadur N. N. Ayyangar)

(*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.